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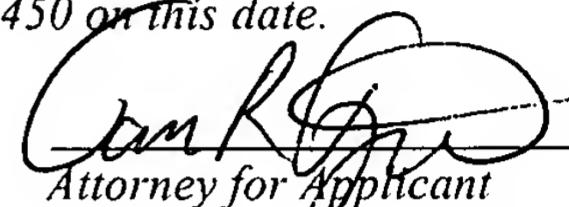
PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on May 12, 2005, the  
Applicant through his undersigned attorney provides the following amendments and  
remarks together with a Request for Continued Examination.